the announcement of the New Industrial Policy.

Performance of industries in core sector

453. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will te PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the performance of Industries in the core sectors like Power, Cement, Coal, Steel Heavy Engineering, etc. after the commencement of New Industrial Policy;

(b) if so, what are the emerging trends of such Industries, industry-wise; and

(c) what action Government have taken to boost up the Industrial production in the core sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The Standing Committee of Secretaries on Industrial Infrastructure periodically reviews the performance of the industries in the core sector.

(b) A statement is enclosed. (See below).

(c) Then Government has taken various measures to boost industrial production in the core sector. These measures include dereservation of sectors such as steel and heavy engineering which were earlier reserved for the public sctor, in order to encourage the private sector to supplement Government efforts in these areas; five year tax holiday for private investment in generation and distribution of power; increase in Central Plan Outlay for infrastructure; reduction in import duty on machinery for power, coal, petroleum refineries and specified raw materials for telecom sector. Private Sector participation has also been allowed in exploration and distribution in petroleum sector ad for participation in service in the telecom sector.

Statement

Performance of infrastructure industries

S. No.	Industry	April-Mar. 1993-94	April-Jun. 1994
		April-Mar. 1992-93	April-Jun. 1993
1	Electricity	7.3	6.7
	(a) Thermal Incl. Nucl.	9.3	9.4
	(b) Hydro	0.6	—3.3
2	Coal	3.3	2.2
3	S. Steel	5.4	4.7
4	Crude Petroleum	0.2	7.8
5	Pet. Refinery Produ.	1.6	1.5
6	Cement	6.8	4.0
	Infrastructure Industries	5.3	5.3